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b. Anhwei Province: Ssuhsien (117-57, 33-30).

5. The hsien units are divided into districts (ch'u 區), and these in turn are divided into villages (ts'un 村). The hsien maintain individual self-defense corps and detachments besides a militia. The militia, although originally a reserve which was not usually mobilized, has been partly converted into law enforcement teams (Chih An Hsiao Tsu 治安小組), and in consequence the hsien and district self-defense corps have been reduced to one or two hundred men. In addition to these local troops, there are in each military sub-district one or two regiments of auxiliary reserves which maintain law and order and attack Nationalist guerrillas when necessary. Sub-districts have the function of recruiting, training, and directing new troops for the Communist armies.

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